

## Using eLibraryUSA for Information on The United States of America

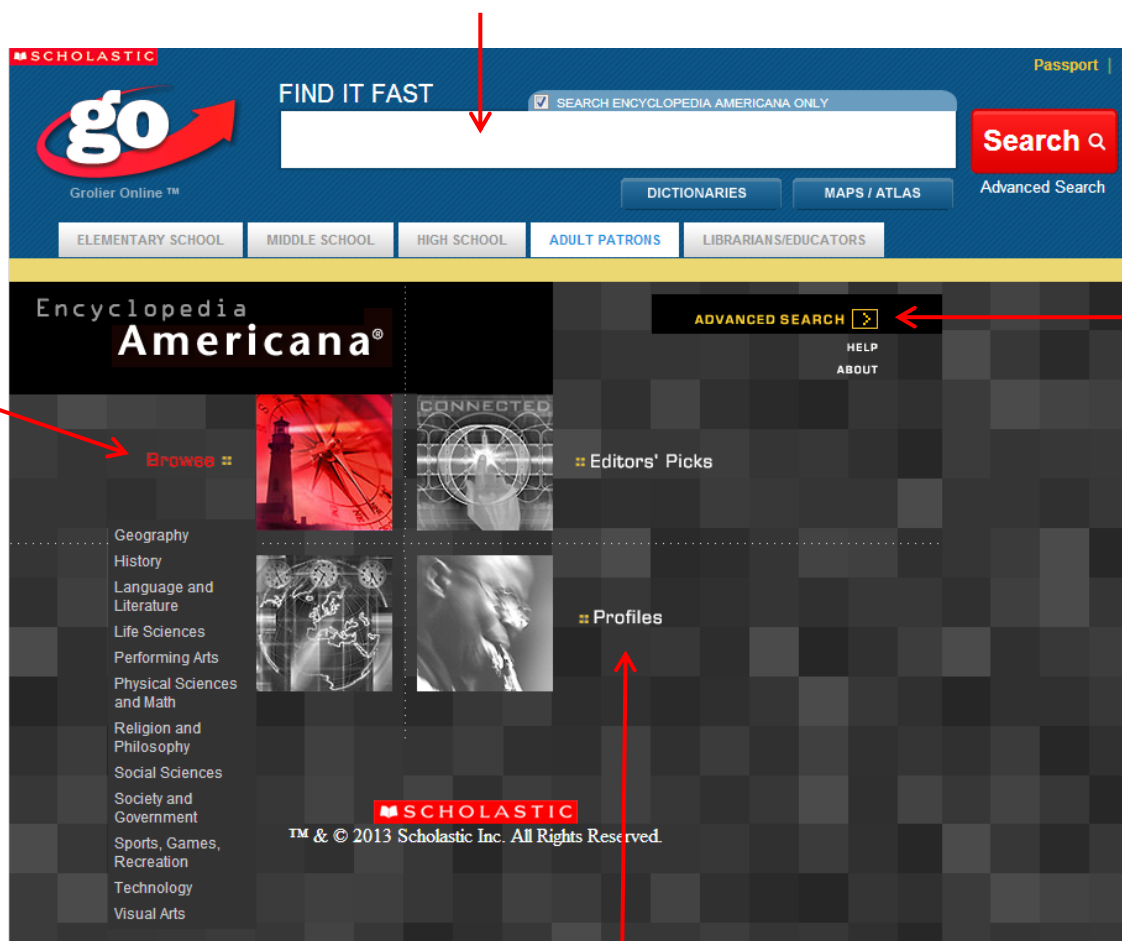
### Encyclopedia Americana

The Encyclopedia Americana is available in the Grolier Online database through eLibraryUSA. You can find information on American history and culture in a variety of topic areas such as Geography, Society and Government, Sports, and Technology.

From the eLibraryUSA homepage, click **Resources** in the bar at the top of the page. Scroll down the alphabetical list and click **Grolier Online**. Then click **Encyclopedia Americana** on the left side of the screen.

Enter a keyword in the box at the top of the screen to search the Encyclopedia Americana.

Browse a subject area by holding your mouse over **Browse**. Then click the subject you would like to explore.



Click here for an **Advanced Search**.

Click **Profiles** to find American biographies.

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## [eJournal USA](#)

eJournal USA is published by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of International Information Programs. The magazine has articles about issues that affect the United States and the international community.

From the eLibraryUSA homepage, click **Resources** in the bar at the top of the page. Scroll down the alphabetical list and click **eJournal USA**. You can also type "eJournal USA" into the **Primo Search** box on the eLibraryUSA homepage.

The screenshot shows the eLibraryUSA search results page. At the top is the eLibraryUSA logo. Below it is a search bar with 'eJournal USA' entered and a 'Search' button. To the right of the search bar are links for 'Advanced Search' and 'Browse Search'. Below the search bar are three dropdown menus: 'All items', 'that contain my query words', and 'anywhere in the record'. On the left side, there is a 'Refine My Results' section with two expandable categories: 'Publication Date' and 'Subject'. The 'Publication Date' category is expanded, showing options: 'Before 2006', '2006 To 2006', '2007 To 2007', '2008 To 2009', and 'After 2009'. The 'Subject' category is also expanded, showing options: 'United States', 'Global warming', 'Climatic changes', 'Climate change', and 'Internet'. Below these categories are links for 'rss' and 'Add page to e-Shelf'. The main content area shows 'Results 1 - 10 of 74 for Everything'. The results are sorted by 'Relevance'. A dropdown menu for sorting is open, showing options: 'Relevance', 'Date-newest', 'Popularity', 'Author', and 'Title'. The first three results are listed: 'Refugees building new lives in the United States.', 'Internet freedom.', and '21st century agriculture.'. Each result includes the publisher information, the date, and a link to 'View Online'.

Use the options on the left of the screen to look at articles from a specific year or in a specific subject area.

You can sort your results several ways. Clicking **Date-newest** will show you the newest journals first and help you find journals from a specific month.

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## [Gale Virtual Reference Library](#)

The Gale Virtual Reference Library is a database of encyclopedias and other resources. The GVRL has many resources on American culture including the following books:

Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties in America	The Presidents, First Ladies, and Vice Presidents
Encyclopedia of African American History	Cities of the United States
Encyclopedia of American Indian History	Guide to U.S. Elections
Encyclopedia of U.S. History: Government and Politics	Guide to the Presidency

1. From the eLibraryUSA homepage, click **Resources** in the bar at the top of the page. Scroll down the alphabetical list and click **Gale Virtual Reference Library**.
2. You can browse the books available and click a cover image that interests you. To browse all the books in one subject area, click **View All** (to the right of each subject area) or click a subject in the list on the left side of the page.

You can search for a keyword or the title of a book using the search box.

The screenshot shows the GVRL homepage. At the top, there is a search bar with the placeholder text "Search your library's GVRL holdings" and a magnifying glass icon. Below the search bar is a navigation bar with links: "Bookmark", "Saved Articles (0)", "Previous Searches", "Title List", "Dictionary", and "Help". A "Print" button is also visible. Below the navigation bar, there is a section for "About This Publication" with links to "Table of Contents", "Book Index", and "List of Illustrations". The "Table of Contents" link is highlighted. To the left of the "Table of Contents" link is a book cover for "The Encyclopedia of Civil Liberties in America, 2005". Below the book cover is a search box with the placeholder text "within publication" and a magnifying glass icon. To the left of the search box is a text box that says "Type a keyword here to search only within this book." with an arrow pointing to the search box. Below the search box are two radio buttons: "all volumes" (selected) and "within this volume". To the right of the "Table of Contents" link is a "Choose a volume:" dropdown menu with options: "1 A-E", "2 F-P", and "3 Q-Z". To the right of the dropdown menu is a text box that says "Use this tool bar to browse the Book Index, List of Illustrations, or to return to the Table of Contents." with an arrow pointing to the dropdown menu. Below the dropdown menu is a text box that says "Some books have multiple volumes. Click here to choose a volume." with an arrow pointing to the dropdown menu. The "Table of Contents" section lists the following items: "Front Cover", "Half Title Page", "Title Page", "Copyright Page", "Contents", "Topic Finder", "Contributors", "Preface", "Introduction", "Abington-Attorney", "Attorney-Boy", "Boycott-Cipollone", "Citizenship-Copyright", "Corfield-Effective", and "Eighth-Executive". Red arrows point from the text "Click a section in the Table of Contents." to the "Contents", "Topic Finder", and "Introduction" links.

Type a keyword here to search only within this book.

Search your library's GVRL holdings

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## American English

American English Online is a website from the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. The website has a large variety of resources for people interested in learning about American culture, including books, songs, puzzles, and downloadable multimedia.

From the eLibraryUSA homepage, click **Resources** in the bar at the top of the page. Scroll down the alphabetical list and click **American English**.

1. Click **Resources**.
2. Click **American Culture**.

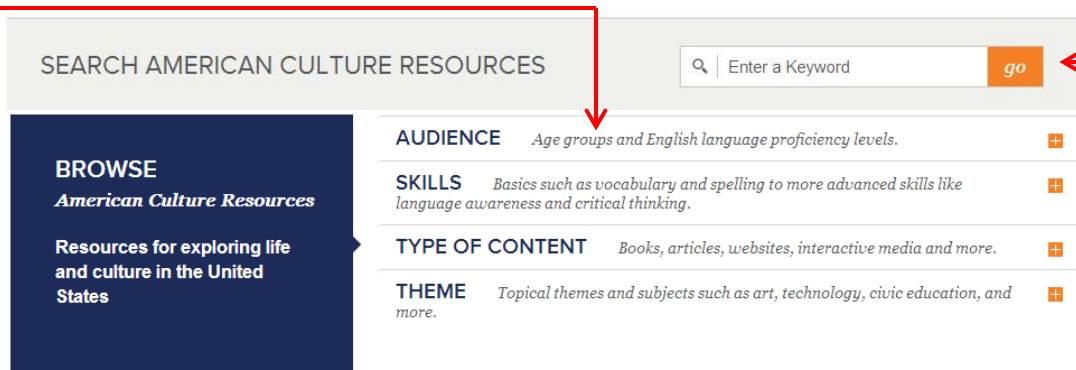


Type a keyword into this box to **Search** the website.

## Materials for Exploring American Culture



Browse resources for a specific **Audience**, resources for specific **Skills**, and resources with a specific **Type of Content** or **Theme**.



Type a keyword into this box to **Search** for **American Culture Resources**.

You can also click American culture books and **Popular Resources**.



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## EducationUSA

Education USA is a network of advising centers around the world to students interested in applying to U.S. colleges and universities. The website offers accurate, comprehensive, and current information about schools, application processes, and financial aid.

From the eLibraryUSA homepage, click **Resources** in the bar at the top of the page. Scroll down the alphabetical list and click **Education USA**.

Click here for more helpful information  
For International Students.

Type a keyword into this  
box to **Search** the website.

The screenshot shows the EducationUSA website homepage. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the EducationUSA logo on the left, which includes the text "Supported by the U.S. Department of State". On the right side of the header is a search bar with a "Search" button. Below the header is a navigation bar with four links: "For International Students", "For U.S. Higher Education Professionals", "For U.S. Students", and "About Us". Below the navigation bar is a main content area. On the left side of this area is a vertical list of four links, each with a red star icon: "Why Study In The U.S.?", "How To Apply", "EducationUSA Can Help", and "Services For U.S. Higher Education Professionals". To the right of this list is a large section titled "Your 5 Steps to U.S. Study" with a red star icon. This section contains a paragraph of text and a photograph of a smiling woman with a backpack holding books. Below the photograph is a green "Get Started" button. At the bottom of the page is a footer with four links: "What is EducationUSA?", "Financial Aid", "Events", and "Stay Connected". Red arrows point from the text instructions to these specific elements on the website.

Click your  
language to  
translate the  
webpage.

Click a topic here to find information  
about **Study in the U.S.**, **How to  
Apply**, and how **EducationUSA Can  
Help**.

After you choose a topic on the left  
of the screen, click **Get Started**.

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## Additional Resources

### **IIP Books & Pamphlets**

The Bureau of International Information Programs publishes many books and pamphlets about American culture. Type **IIP Books** or **IIP Pamphlets** into the **Primo Search** box in the top right corner of the eLibraryUSA homepage to find these resources.

### **College Navigator**

From the eLibraryUSA homepage, click **Resources** in the bar at the top of the page. Scroll down the alphabetical list and click **College Navigator**. College Navigator is a website from the U.S. Department of Education with information about studying in the United States.

To find the following resources on the eLibraryUSA website, type the title into the **Primo Search Box** in the upper right corner of the homepage and click **Search**.

### **The Constitution of the United States of America: with explanatory notes**

Published by the Bureau of International Information Programs, July 2004.

### **U.S.A History in Brief**

Published by the Bureau of International Information Programs, 2010.

### **See You in the USA**

Published by the Bureau of International Information Programs, May 2010.

### **50 States In 50 Days: America the Unexpected**

Published by the Bureau of International Information Programs, 2012.

### **The Bill of Rights : (United States of America, 1789) : Human Rights and Dignity**

Published by the Bureau of International Information Programs, 26 October 2011.

### **The Citizen's Almanac: fundamental documents, symbols, and anthems of the United States**

Published by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Office of Citizenship, 2010.

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